

REMARKS

By this Supplemental Amendment, Applicant has amended the Claims to correspond to the revised claims under examination in the European application and therefore has cancelled all of the previously pending claims, namely - Claims 1-42, 49 and 54-57 and has inserted new Claims 58-71.

In particular, the new claims generally correspond to the cancelled claims in the following manner:

Claim 58 corresponds to a combination of cancelled Claims 1 and 5;

Claim 59 corresponds to cancelled Claim 2;

Claim 60 corresponds to cancelled Claim 3;

Claim 61 corresponds to cancelled Claim 4;

Claim 62 corresponds to cancelled Claim 8;

Claim 63 corresponds to cancelled Claims 9 and 10;

Claim 64 corresponds to cancelled Claims 9 and 11;

Claim 66 corresponds to cancelled Claim 39;

Claim 67 corresponds to cancelled Claims 14 and 33;

Claim 68 corresponds to cancelled Claim 16;

Claim 69 corresponds to cancelled Claim 40;

Claim 70 corresponds to cancelled Claim 41; and

Claim 71 corresponds to cancelled Claim 42.

In addition, support for new Claim 65 which defines the location of the claimed insert can be found in Figs. 4 and 5.

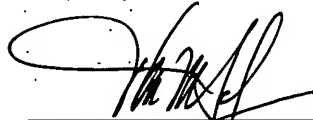
As a supplemental response to the Restriction/Election requirements dated July 3, 2007 and December 19, 2007, Applicant hereby further elects to prosecute, without traverse, the new article Claims 58-71. In addition, Applicant further elects to prosecute, without traverse, the following species: in Group 1, Species 1 - Fig. 1 on which new Claims 58-67 and 69-71 are readable; in Group 2, Species 1 - Molding matrix around insulating elements on which new Claims 58-71 are readable; and Group 3, Species 1 - Polystyrene on which new Claims 58-71 are readable.

Applicant acknowledges that upon allowance of the generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all of the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 C.F.R. §1.141.

Accordingly, an expeditious and favorable response is hereby solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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